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Dear Joshua:

I have just received two letters from my friends in Japan concerning qualifications of Dr. K. Kiyota. One of them happens to be a high school classmate of Dr. Kiyota and has been quite active in the field of psychiatry. Both persons state that Dr. Kiyota is a very bright and sincere scientist. They both feel, however, that his previous work has not been evaluated very highly in Japan, mainly because his approach is rather unorthodox and unique. They suggest that you yourself go over his publications carefully before deciding to take him in your laboratory. I was not able to get sufficient information as to the quality of his laboratory work but somehow I have a feeling that he may not be doing too much laboratory work. Although this information should not discourage you to accept him, there seems to be a number of younger candidates in Japan who are more flexible in thoughts, well-trained in laboratory work and are willing to come to work with you on such exciting problems. In fact, I can think of two very bright young psychiatrists in Kyoto who have been associated with us for the past several years and may be interested in spending a year or two in your laboratory. If you are interested, please let me know.

Cordially yours,

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